



1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 85

February 12, 1997 - Introduced by Representatives URBAN, DUFF, M. LEHMAN, BOCK, WASSERMAN, NOTESTEIN, R. POTTER, RILEY, LA FAVE, MORRIS-TATUM, BOYLE and BALDWIN, cosponsored by Senators ROSENZWEIG, WINEKE, RISSER and BURKE. Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

1 **AN ACT to create** 175.36 of the statutes; **relating to:** the retail sale of firearms
2 and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law provides that various conditions, including a background check of a prospective purchaser, must be met before a federally licensed firearms dealer may transfer a handgun after a sale. Current law also requires that upon the retail sale or transfer of any firearm, the person who is selling or transferring the firearm must provide a warning to the person buying or receiving the firearm about the possible criminal penalties that may be imposed if a person leaves a loaded firearm within the reach or easy access of a child.

Under this bill, a federally licensed firearms dealer may not transfer possession of a firearm that he or she has sold unless the firearm is securely locked with a trigger lock or cable lock. The bill also provides that a person who buys a firearm from a federally licensed firearms dealer may not take possession of the firearm unless the firearm is securely locked with a trigger lock or cable lock. The bill's requirement that a firearm be securely locked with a trigger lock or cable lock does not apply to a firearm that cannot, because of its design and manufacture, be fitted with a trigger lock or cable lock. Any person who violates the bill's prohibitions may be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$500.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

